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Above: Dr. Leonard Bok, Dr. Aran Toshav, Dr. Michael Maristany and Dr. Richard Marshall at the UMC Radiology Reception area on August 1st.

The new University Medical Center officially opened on Saturday, August 1st. What a day! Starting at 6am, patients were moved from the Interim LSU Hospital via ambulance. In all, 131 patients were transported in approximately 8 hours. Hospital administration was extremely pleased with the transition and credits the day’s smooth opening to the 2,000 employees and hospital volunteers, who spent more than 20,000 hours in training over the past year preparing for this day. UMC opened with 235 beds (the same number as ILH) and will scale up to 446 beds as new staff are hired. UMC houses the region’s only Level 1 Trauma Center.

At right, Dr. Richard Marshall and Esther Guajardo, long-time VIR nurse, wheeled a supply cart down South Johnson Street (in the street) on the way to the new hospital. Radiology provided full coverage at both hospitals on the move day. Dr. Richard Kuebler, pictured below, is standing in the doorway of the ER Reading Room at ILH. He was scheduled for the last ER shift at ILH. In addition to those pictured, Dr. Yodzis, Dr. Cooper and Dr. Sfondouris were all at the hospitals and involved in move day activities.

The very next week, we opened the doors to the new Interventional Radiology Clinic. The clinic is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 8a-12p.

At left: Dr. Leonard Bok, Dr. Brooke Morrell, Dr. Will Mullen, Dr. Will Shaffer and Dr. Mignonne Morrell.

At Right: Dr. Anshu Duggal, Dr. Will Mullen, Dr. Will Shaffer and Dr. Brooke Morrell.

On Friday, June 19th, the department held the 3rd graduation ceremony since restarting the LSU Radiology Residency Program in 2009. The day included an excellent lecture, “RECIST Criteria and Staging for Oncology Clinical Trials” by Dr. Brian Boulmay, Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine at LSU and the Director of the Hem/Onc Fellowship. Our residents also presented their research and quality improvement projects. Dr. Jenna Brown presented “Penetrating Thoracic Aortic Injuries: Imaging Evaluation and Management.” “Spinal Canal Infection” was presented by Dr. Jonathan Stidham. “Knee Arthroplasty: What the Orthopedic Surgeon Wants to Know” was presented by Dr. Dane Mackey. And, Dr. Eric Wallace presented. “Radiology QA Project.” Two medical students also presented their research. John-Paul Grenier presented, “MR Spectroscopy for Diagnosing Bone Disease, Especially Osteomyelitis” and Zachary Stewart presented, “Solitary Extra-Osseous Plasmacytoma Presenting as a Periumbilical Soft Tissue Mass.” In addition, Dr. William Mullen was awarded the RSNA Research Award. We are delighted that our residents are engaged in research and quality improvement.
Dr. Michael Maristany
received an MBA from Tulane University in June after completing the Executive MBA program over 18 months. The program, designed for experienced managers and professionals, included alternate weekends, two weekend intensive sessions and concluded with an international trip to Beijing, China.

In May, Dr. Leonard Bok visited Henry Ford Hospital to see Intra-Operative MRI. Knowledge gained will be extremely helpful in implementing our Intra-Operative Magnet program at UMCNO.

Dr. Mignonne Morrell was interviewed by New Orleans Living Magazine. She highlighted 3D Mammography, which is now available at 3700 St. Charles Ave. and UMC. See the article here: [http://www.livingneworleans.com/?p=11388](http://www.livingneworleans.com/?p=11388)

Dr. Michael Maristany was elected treasurer of the Radiological Society of Louisiana.

Dr. Terrance Matalon, Chairman of Radiology at Albert Einstein Medical Center lectured on September 11th about new technologies at UMC available across the entire CT scanner fleet to reduce radiation exposure. Iterative Model based Reconstruction (IMR) is Phillips’ proprietary model based reconstruction algorithm that allows scanning of patients at a fraction of the dose while maintaining image quality.

Our UMC Radiology Department is a show site for Philips. We hosted the first visitors on September 17th from the University of Miami.

Dr. Michael Maristany is attending the Philips Spectral CT Thought Leadership Forum on September 30th in Dallas.

Dr. Bradley Spieler and Dr. Michael Maristany will be attending the RSNA “Creating and Optimizing the Research Enterprise” workshop held over 2 days in October at the RSNA headquarters in Oak Brook, Illinois.

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Upcoming Events

- **LSU Alumni Association Purple & Gold Gala**
  October 24, 2015
  Hilton New Orleans Riverside

- **Radiological Society of Louisiana Fall Meeting**
  October 25, 2015
  Baton Rouge Country Club

- **Radiological Society of North America Annual Meeting**
  November 29 - December 4, 2015
  Chicago, Illinois

- **ACGME Annual Educational Conference**
  February 25–28, 2016
  National Harbor, Maryland

- **Match Day**
  March 18, 2016

- **Association of University Radiologists Annual Meeting**
  March 29 - April 1, 2016
  San Diego, California

- **American Roentgen Ray Society Annual Meeting**
  April 17-22, 2016
  Los Angeles, California

Dr. Dane Mackey was elected to the 2015-2016 House Staff Association. He will be serving on the EQuIP committee. The HSA mission is to be an advocate for the House Staff (both residents and fellows).

After a long career in Radiology and many years of service to LSU, Dr. Michael Hanemann retired in June.

Dr. David Smith and his wife, Laura, welcomed a baby boy, Oliver Thomas Smith on May 6th. Mom and baby are healthy!

Dr. Dave Smith

Dr. Dan MacKey

RADIOLISTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Both Dr. Chuck Nwanze and Dr. Eric Wallace were honored at the 2015 Spotlight on Success gala which pays tribute to a select group of Outstanding Professionals in the greater New Orleans area. Several faculty members attended the June 12th event to support our residents. Funds raised support the March of Dimes programs in research, education and pre-natal care. Dr. Bradley Spieler serves on their Finance Committee.

Dr. John Sfondouris matched to a Neuroradiology fellowship at the Barrow Institute in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr. Joshua Cooper will do a fellowship in Abdominal Imaging at the University of Alabama. And congratulations to Dr. Will Shaffer for his 2015 Resident of the Year nomination. He is now completing a Body Imaging fellowship at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. At left: Dr. Janis Letourneau, Dr. William Shaffer and Dr. Aran Toshav at the May 29th ceremony.

UPDATES FROM THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM

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